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- to There follows a list of important officers in the Bulgarian Navy:
 - a. Captain Halachev is the Chief of all the Bulgarian Haval Forces. He had never been an officer. He fought in Spain as a partisan.
 - b. Captain Boyajiev, Political Commissor to Captain Halachev.
 - c. Commander Kukenski is the Captain of an 800 ton destroyer given to Bulgaria by the Soviet Union.
 - d. Lieutenart Moychev is the Captain of a seventeen vessel minesweeper fleet based at Varna.
 - e. Lieutenant Commander Nikolov is the Chief of the Cadet Corps.
 - f. Commander Papazov is the Captain of a coast-guard vessel fleet.
 - g. Commander Paspaliev is the Commander of the Black Sea Bulgarian Naval Forces.
 - h. Commander Kutevski, former Commander of the Naval Base of Varna.
 - i. Lieutenant Commander Tutunjiev, Political Commissar of the Naval Base of Varna; until September 1944, he was a corporal in a labor unit.
 - j. Lieutenant Commander Zlatarev, Commander of the Naval Base of Varna.
- 2. In March 1947, 300 Bulgarian sailors were sent to Ochakov (Ukraine) for special training in submarines and in signal work. They were to return at the end of 1949. Other officers and non-commissioned officers have been sent to the Soviet Union in small groups.
- 3. The following vessels were given by the USSR to Bulgaria:
 - a. An 800 ton destroyer. Crew 180 men; 3 10mm. guns; 4 torpedo tubes and AA guns; top-speed 20 knots.

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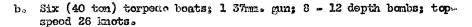
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- c. Nine (40-50) ton torpedo boats; 2 37mm. guns; 8 12 depth bombs; top-speed 26 knots. Of these, three were given to the frontier garrison, one to Varna and two to Pyrgos.
- d. Two (90-100) ton torpedo boats; 2 40mm. guns; top-speed 26 knots.
- 4_{\circ} The Soviets also intend to give the Bulgarians two submarines and eight more torpedo boats, according to Lieutenant Kolchev (see above).
- 5. The following vessels belong to the Bulgarian Navy:
 - a. Four "Lursen" vessels; top-speed 31 knots; two of the torpede tubes have been replaced by smoke-screen machinery. These vessels have the following numbers: 161, 162, 163 and 164.
 - b. Three or four skiffs; top-speed 40 knots; two are ready for action and have their torpede tubes replaced by smoke-screen machinery. One is at Nikelaev; it is being used as a model for manufacturing new ones.
 - c. Seventeen minesweepers (of the 40 ton type). Top-speed 10 knots.
 - d. The ASSEN, an old warship being used by the Cadet Corps.
 - The old Bulgarian tempedo boats SEBLI, DERZKI and HRABRI new at Pyrgos (Burgas).
 - f. A refloated torpedo boat at Pyrgos (Durgas).
- 6. There is a naval store at Sozopol, four kilometers north of the village of Rosen and about 800 meters away from the shore, at a site called Otmanli thesme on Sozopol-Rurges road. This store has 13 medium buildings and it is filled with mines. It is said that these mines are enough to protect Burgas. They were brought from Kazanlik. The store is guarded by 25 sailors.

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